



NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD  
**Investigative Hearing**

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Metrorail train 302 that encountered heavy smoke in the tunnel between the L'Enfant Plaza Station and the Potomac River Bridge on January 12, 2015

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Biography of Thomas Littleton

## **Thomas Littleton, FTA Associate Administrator for Safety and Oversight**

Thomas Littleton is the inaugural Associate Administrator for Safety and Oversight at the Federal Transit Administration in Washington, D.C.

The FTA Office of Safety and Oversight administers a national transit safety program and monitors program compliance to ensure safe, reliable, and equitable transit service in accordance with FTA policy and regulatory requirements. The FTA Office of Safety and Oversight implements and oversees safety and security standards for all modes of transit in the United States.

Tom joined the FTA from the Federal Aviation Administration where he led their headquarters accident investigation division. This position leverages Tom's extensive background in safety operations to usher in a new era of transit safety.

He is a retired United States Air Force Lieutenant Colonel, fighter pilot and commander. Following retirement from the Air Force, Tom worked extensively in the aerospace industry and as a private military contractor.